

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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RE: The Cannons Engineering Corporation Case Sites ("CEC Sites")

Dear Sir or Madam:

EPA has received your response to EPA's request for information concerning OLIN CORP.'s involvement with the CEC Site(s). Enclosed with this letter are copies of records relied upon by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering ("DEQE") and the State of New Hampshire in identifying the company named above as a potentially responsible party with respect to one or more of the Cannons Engineering Corporation Sites. The enclosed records consist of documents used by EPA and its contractor, TechLaw, Inc., in estimating the company's total volume of shipments to the Bridgewater site, and in compiling the Cannons Engineering Corporation Case Potentially Responsible Party Ranking.

The enclosed documents are being released to you for the sole purpose of furthering the negotiations currently under way with respect to the CEC Sites. Documents are being released only to those companies which have complied with the EPA, DEQE, and New Hampshire information requests, based on EPA's initial review of responses to those requests. EPA reserves the right to seek more complete compliance with its information requests if in-depth review reveals deficiencies in a company's responses.

Please be advised that EPA, DEQE and New Hampshire have determined that the enclosed records are investigatory records, compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which may interfere with enforcement proceedings. As such, the records are exempt from mandatory disclosure under the investigatory records exemption of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(7), and under the comparable provisions of state law. Nevertheless, a limited disclosure of these records is being made in order to further the settlement negotiations and to encourage communication among the

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